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Applicant : Arne H. Deggerdal et al.
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PETITION FOR FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

A Notice of Appeal was filed on February 25, 2005. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for filing an appeal brief be extended for five months to and including September 26, 2005 (since September 25, 2005 is a Sunday).

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